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TAGS: BGEN NO

SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT INDEX-BUSINESS INVESTMENT  
RISK INDEX - BERI

REF: OSLO T-4895, 11/5/74

1. BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT RISK INDEX (BERI) WELL KNOWN TO FOREIGN  
INVESTMENT SERVICES STAFF, OED, AS IT HAS DEVELOPED OVER LAST SEVERAL  
YEARS BY DR. F.T. HANER, UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE. THE INDEX RATES  
15 POLITICAL, FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL RISK FACTORS FOR VARIOUS OVER-

SEAS AREAS ON A FIVE POINT SCALE. IT IS INTENDED AS A BUSINESS  
EVALUATION TOOL FOR FIRMS CONSIDERING FOREIGN PROJECTS. CURRENT PRICE  
OF THE INDEX IS \$150 PER YEAR.

2. VARIOUS WORLDWIDE ASSOCIATES UTILIZED IN COMPILATION OF INDEX;  
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SUGGEST EMBASSY OR THOMSEN CONTACT JORGEN HANSEN, KONTORCHEF,

CANDPOLIT, H.C. ANDERSEN BLVD 18, 1596 COPENHAGEN, DENMARK FOR  
BACKGROUN AND ASSISTANCE. UNDERSTAND, IN ADDITION TO RECENT  
ARTICLE IN INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT ON THE BERI INDEX, THAT A  
GOOD DESCRIPTION AND SOME CRITICAL EVALUATION WAS CARRIED IN  
THE FRANKFURTER ZEITUNG, PUBLISHED IN FRANKFURT, GERMANY, ON OCTOBER  
28, 1974.

3. SINCE INDEX IS COPYRIGHTED, INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY INFORMATION  
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